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## Rural property owners can pay taxes online in both official languages

WHITEHORSE—Rural property taxpayers, for whom Yukon government is the taxing authority, can now pay their 2012 property taxes online with service in either French or English.

"We're pleased to expand this convenient online service to Yukon's rural francophone community," French Language Services Directorate and Community Services Minister Elaine Taylor said. "Paying property taxes online eliminates the need for rural property owners to line up or pay by phone or by mail."

Property tax notices are mailed annually by May 15 and payment is due by July 2. The tax notices from municipal or territorial taxing authorities show the total property taxes owing and include a homeowners' grant application form.

From May 15 to July 2, rural property owners can make payments online in French or English. The payment system accepts Visa, MasterCard and American Express and features the same high level of internet security as all other online transactions within the Yukon government website.

"Earlier this year, the Department of Community Services announced the availability of online vehicle registrations in both official languages and we continue to move forward on the number of e-government services available in French and English," Taylor said.

Rural Yukoners can visit online to pay property taxes in French or visit the Community Services' French website for more information.

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